

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2287**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Wilk**

February 18, 2016

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An act to amend Section 19596.3 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2287, as introduced, Wilk. Horse racing: satellite wagering: out-of-country thoroughbred races.

Existing law authorizes a thoroughbred racing association or fair to distribute the audiovisual signal and accept wagers on the results of out-of-country thoroughbred races during the calendar period the association or fair is conducting a race meeting, without the consent of the participating horsemen's organization. These imported races are subject to specified conditions, including the condition that a thoroughbred association or fair may not accept wagers on out-of-country races commencing after 5:30 p.m., Pacific standard time, without the consent of the harness or quarter horse racing association that is then conducting a live racing meeting.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19596.3 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:

1 19596.3. Notwithstanding any other ~~provision~~ of law, a  
2 thoroughbred racing association or fair may distribute the  
3 audiovisual signal and accept wagers on the results of  
4 out-of-country thoroughbred races during the calendar period the  
5 association or fair is conducting a race meeting, without the consent  
6 of the organization that represents horsemen participating in the  
7 race meeting. Out-of-country races shall be imported under the  
8 following conditions:

9 (a) A thoroughbred association or fair shall conduct the wagering  
10 in accordance with the applicable provisions of Sections 19601,  
11 19616, 19616.1, and 19616.2.

12 (b) ~~No~~ A thoroughbred association or fair ~~may~~ *shall not* accept  
13 wagers pursuant to this section on out-of-country races  
14 commencing after 5:30 p.m., Pacific standard time, without the  
15 consent of the harness or quarter horse racing association that is  
16 then conducting a live racing meeting.

17 (c) A thoroughbred racing association or fair distributing the  
18 audiovisual signal and accepting wagers on the results of  
19 out-of-country races pursuant to this section may execute an  
20 agreement with an association that conducts thoroughbred races  
21 in the southern zone to allow that association to distribute the signal  
22 and accept wagers on the results of out-of-country thoroughbred  
23 races, except that the license fees paid to the state shall be double  
24 the amount paid by a quarter horse racing association specified in  
25 subdivision (b) of Section 19605.7.